(b) to (d) Such decisions are taken on techno-economic considerations at the appropriate time.

Participation of NRIs in Air Taxi Operation

2171. SHRI S. K. T. RAMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) how many NRI companies have so far come forward to run air taxies;

(b) whehter Indian entrepreneurs have so far opted to operate 5 air taxies; if so, what are their names;

(c) whether foreign investors other than NRIs would also be permitted to operate air taxies; and

(d) if so, what are the terms and conditions precribed therefor?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) One NRI funded company is operating Air Taxi Services with imported aircraft. 12 other NRI-funded companies have been given no objection in principle under the Air Taxi Scheme.

(b) Two companies are operating Air Taxi Services with locally available aircraft. Their names are:—

1. M/s. Delhi Gulf Airways Services Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi.

2. Maneckji Aviation Pvt. Ltd., Bombay.

Six other companies have been given no objection in principle under the Air Taxi Scheme:—

1. M/s. Tata Iron & Steel Co. Ltd., New Delhi.

2. M/s. Indamar Company Pvt. Ltd., Bombay.

3. M/s. Indian Metal & Ferro Alloys Ltd., New Delhi.

4. M/s. Aprana Aviation Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi.

5. M/s. National Airports Authority, New Delhi.

6. M/s. Jagson International (P) Ltd., New Delhi.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Reimbursement of grants under Family Welfare Programme to the Andhra Pradesh Government

2172. SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any amount is due to be paid by the Central Government to the Andhra Pradesh Government as reimbursement of grants under the Family Welfare Programme;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for the delay in reimbursement; and

(c) by when the funds will be paid to Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Final adjustment of amount due to the State can be made only on receipt of audited statement of expenditure from the State A.G. The State Govt. has been advised to furnish requisite certificate to enable the Central Government to further process the case of release of arrears.

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2173. डा० अबरार अहमद खान : क्या पेट्रोलियम और रसायन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या उन्हें इस बात की जानकारी है कि देश में मरीजों को ऐसी दवाओं की आपूर्ति की जा रही है जिनकी